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ALFRED PALADINO;

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FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (92-7435) (56)

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SUBJECT: GERRO'S TRUCKING CO., INC  
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On 10/3/75, Special Attorney [Redacted]  
Strike Force, SDNY, advised that he anticipates scaled  
indictments concerning the Master Truckmen of America, Inc.  
(MTA) aspect of this matter, to be handed down on October  
14, 1975. Agents, assisted by the NYCPD will effect arrests  
All of 10/15/75. Those to be arrested are as follows:

FRANK WOLF

Executive Director, MTA

[Redacted]

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MTA

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Member, GENOVESE family

ALFRED PALADINO

Codson, FRANK TIERI, Head of  
the GENOVESE family

JULIUS BERNSTEIN

President, Local #121, IBTU,  
associate of PALADINO and  
TANIELLO

GEORGE JACKSON

Business Agent, Local #102,  
ILGWU

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Associate of various members  
of the COLOMBO family

JOSEPH BESERANY

Brooklyn Organizer, MTA

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Former partner with BESERANY,  
J & G Trucking, Brooklyn, NY

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The following individuals: WOLF, [REDACTED],  
PALADINO, BERNSTEIN, JACKSON, [REDACTED], and BESERANY, will be  
charged with Title 18, Sections 1951 and 1952. (Hobbs Act  
and ITAR-Extortion).

Additionally, BESERANY and [REDACTED] will be charged  
with Title 18, Sections 1623 and 1503. (Obstruction of Justice  
and Perjury).

A separate case is being opened concerning above named  
individuals and their arrest will be reported under a  
substantive violation caption.

Bureau will be kept advised.

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Subject

*Julius Bernstein*

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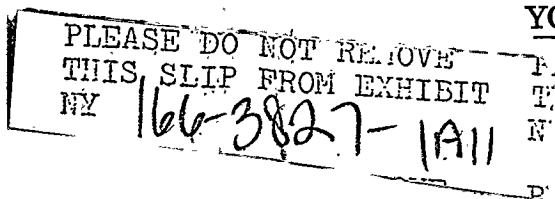
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Before we ask you any questions, you must understand your rights.

You have the right to remain silent.

Anything you say can be used against you in court.

You have the right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions and to have him with you during questioning.

If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you before any questioning if you wish.

If you decide to answer questions now without a lawyer present, you will still have the right to stop answering at any time. You also have the right to stop answering at any time until you talk to a lawyer.

WAIVER OF RIGHTS

I have read this statement of my rights and I understand what my rights are. I am willing to make a statement and answer questions. I do not want a lawyer at this time. I understand and know what I am doing. No promises or threats have been made to me and no pressure or coercion of any kind has been used against me.

Signed [Signature]

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# Eight Indicted in Garment Biz Corruption

By STEVEN MATTHEWS

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## Inquiry Into New York Garment District Brings Indictment of Eight More Persons

By a WALL STREET JOURNAL Staff Reporter

NEW YORK—The U.S. Justice Department announced three more grand-jury indictments of an additional eight persons as part of a continuing investigation of organized crime's infiltration of this city's garment district.

The charges of extortion and bribery in the latest indictments resulted from two undercover operations: a coat-making company under the code name "Operation Detroit" and a trucking concern under the code name "Operation Cleveland."

Both concerns operated like coat makers or truckers except that employees were undercover "witnesses" or policemen. The crime-fighting special force involved includes Justice Department investigators, Federal Bureau of Investigation agents, Internal Revenue Service agents and city policemen.

### Threat of Labor Dispute

In one of the indictments announced yesterday, six persons were charged with extorting \$5,000 from Gerro Trucking Co. the undercover trucking concern, with the threat of a labor dispute.

Named in this indictment was Frank Wolf, director of Master Truckmen of America Inc., which isn't further identified in the indictment. Leonard, "Sonny" Klansky, Matthew Ianiello, Lawrence A. "Larry" Palidino, Julius "Spike" Bernstein, president of Local 121 of the International Brotherhood of Trade Unions, and George Jackson, business agent of Local 102 of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

As of late yesterday, FBI agents still were seeking Mr. Bernstein. The others appeared in federal court here and were re-

leased on bail. Arraignments for pleadings will be Oct. 28. Maximum sentence for extortion is 20 years imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine.

Mr. Palidino also was named in a separate indictment on a charge of seeking to bribe an IRS agent with \$500. Maximum sentence for this offense is 15 years and a \$20,000 fine.

### Economic Injury

Under the other indictment, Mr. Wolf, named in the first indictment—and two others, allegedly conspired to obtain Gerro, the undercover trucking company, and \$5,000 of Gerro's funds. They did this, it is claimed, by threatening economic injury to Sal Dan Trucking, Inc., Gerro's successor, by refusing to accept Sal Dan as a member of Master Truckmen of America. And, under such threat, ordered Gerro to buy back its former business from Sal Dan and later sell it to J. & G. Trucking Co. The other persons named in this indictment are Vito Orena and Joseph Beserany.

Operations "Cleveland" and "Detroit" have resulted in the indictment of a total of 22 other persons under former announcements, according to Richard L. Thornburgh, U.S. Assistant Attorney General, criminal division. The charges have ranged from illegal receipt of money by union officials to perjury and to sale of stolen goods.

Thus far, 12 of these persons have pleaded guilty or been convicted and 11 of these have received sentences ranging from two months to five years. Out of a total of \$14.9 million of stolen securities and textiles (hijacked from trucks) involved in these cases, a total of \$3 million has so far been recovered, Mr. Thornburgh said.

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Eight persons were indicted on extortion charges in New York as a result of a federal-city investigation of the garment district there. The charges brought to 30 the number indicted since the end of two undercover operations involving coat-making and trucking companies run by police and informers.

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## 8 Indicted in Graft In Garment District

By MARCIA CHAMBERS

A Federal grand jury has indicted eight persons, including two reputed underworld figures, two union officials and two leaders of a trucking association, on charges of conspiracy and extortion in an alleged rakedown operation in the garment district.

The criminal charges were described by Federal law enforcement officials as the first major set of indictments growing out of Project Cleveland, an innovative Federal and police investigation that began in March, 1973.

At that time, the police secretly purchased the Gerro Trucking Corporation for \$60,000.

In an attempt to apprehend rackets who work for organized crime and fleece businessmen in the garment district.

A Federal undercover agent operated the company in a two-room suite at 1441 Broadway was a wily businessman and former convict named man Goldfarb.

Mr. Goldfarb, who is 53 years old, would later complain to police officials in Washington.

about the abrupt ending of the investigation in the fall of 1974 and the Justice Department's lack of vigor in prosecuting certain cases he deemed "political" in nature.

Subsequently, there were charges and countercharges between law enforcement officers, and some allusions to this controversy crept into questions posed at a news conference called to announce the indictments.

The indictments—three sets naming eight persons—were announced by Richard L. Thornburgh, the new chief of the Justice Department's Criminal Division in Washington. In the main, the charges involve purported criminal activities that took place shortly after the Gerro Company was set up

and 17 months later when the company was sold.

"We did not make any money on the sale," said James Taylor, First Deputy Police Commissioner, who attended the news conference held in the Foley Square offices of William I. Aronwald, chief of the Joint Strike Force Against Organized Crime in New York.

The indictment charges that in the first six months of Gerro's undercover operation, a group of men, including Frank Wolf, the director of the Master Truckmen of America Inc., which represents employers of some 300 trucking companies, and Julius Bernstein, president of Local 121, International Brotherhood of Trade Unions, arranged for a strike at Gerro's

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until Gerro agreed to pay the defendants \$5,000.

The other men named in the conspiracy were Leonard Klansky, who until last February served as Mr. Wolf's assistant; Matthew Ianello, an investor at M. & M. Trading Company at 133 West 50th Street, and according to police records, reputedly a member of the Frank Tieri crime family; Lawrence A. Paladino, owner of the L & P Luncheonette at 2684 Coney Island Avenue in Brooklyn, and according to prosecutor's records, an associate of organized crime; and George Jackson, a business agent for Local 102, International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

Mr. Goldfarb, who was equipped with a recording de-

vice throughout the inquiry and whose tape and testimony provide most of the evidence leading to the indictments, said in an interview from another state yesterday that after paying off the \$5,000 he was forced "to pay out \$200 a week to the mob to make peace with the union."

In the fall of 1974, Mr. Aronwald and others said Project Cleveland was becoming too risky to continue, an assumption Mr. Goldfarb and Lieutenant David Durk, who headed the five-man undercover "Cleveland" unit, vehemently oppose to this day. Lieutenant Durk was not invited to the news conference.

The sale of Gerro was the subject of the second indict-

ment against Mr. Wolf, Vito Orena, whom Mr. Goldfarb described as an intermediary, and Joseph Beserany, the former owner of J & G Trucking Company, and the man who was said by Mr. Goldfarb to have boasted on tape that he fixed a case before a Brooklyn Federal judge. That allegation was never substantiated.

In this indictment, the three men are charged with obtaining \$5,000 from Gerro through a series of resales to other trucking companies. The Master Truckmen of America was not indicted as a company.

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ABOVE NAMED SUBJECTS NAMED IN INDICTMENT FILED IN SDNY,  
OCTOBER 14, 1975, CHARGING SUBJECTS WITH VIOLATION OF TITLE 18,  
SECTIONS 1951 AND 1952. BENCH WARRANT ISSUED SAME DATE.

ALL SUBJECTS, EXCEPT BERNSTEIN, ARRESTED OCTOBER 15, 1975,  
AND APPEARED BEFORE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE, SDNY, WHERE THE FOLLOW-  
ING BONDS WERE POSTED:

JOSEPH BERSERANY, \$25,000 PERSONAL RECOGNIZANCE BOND (PRB);

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ALFRED PALADINO, \$10,000 SURETY

FRANK WOLF, \$10,000 PRB.

JULIUS BERNSTEIN TO SURRENDER A.M., OCTOBER 16, 1975, IN  
PRESENCE OF HIS ATTORNEY.

ON OCTOBER 15, 1974, A PRESS CONFERENCE WAS HELD AT THE OFFICES  
OF THE STRIKE FORCE, SDNY, AND THE FOLLOWING WERE IN ATTENDANCE:  
RICHARD L. THORNBURGH, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION;  
WILLIAM S. LYNCH, CHIEF OF THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENTS, ORGANIZED CRIME  
AND RACKETEERING SECTION; WILLIAM I. ARONWALD, ATTORNEY IN CHARGE,  
JOINT STRIKE FORCE, SDNY; JAMES TAYLOR, FIRST DEPUTY, NEW YORK CITY  
POLICE COMMISSIONER; THOMAS J. EMERY, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE,  
ORGANIZED CRIME DIVISION, NEW YORK OFFICE, FBI. AT THIS CONFERENCE,  
INDICTMENT AND ARRESTS WERE ANNOUNCED.

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OUTLINE OF INDICTMENTS

United States v. Frank Wolfe, et al.

Richard L. Thornburgh, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, United States Department of Justice announced today the filing, by a Manhattan federal grand jury, on October 14, 1975 of three ~~sealed~~ indictments, two of which charge the Director of the Master Truckmen of America, Inc., and others with violation of the Hobbs Act, arising out of a pattern of conduct affecting an undercover trucking company set up by federal and local authorities in New York City's garment center. Among those indicted are a high ranking union official, and a business agent of an ILGWU Local. [Mr. Thornburgh also announced the filing of a fourth indictment which was filed this morning in the Eastern District of New York.]

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According to Mr. Thornburgh in early 1973 the Justice Department's Joint Strike Force Against Organized Crime and Racketeering for the Southern District of New York, the New York City Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation launched a joint investigation of organized crime's infiltration of the garment district in New York City. The principal investigative tools utilized were two undercover businesses, one of which involved the operation of a coat company and the other a trucking company, which were given code names of Operation Detroit and Operation Cleveland, respectively. Both undercover businesses were operated by undercover civilian witnesses and undercover New York City Police Officers. While Operation Detroit was financed by Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) funds, Operation Cleveland was financed by the New York City Police Department. Mr. Thornburgh stated that the Inspections Service of the Internal Revenue Service also participated in the investigation.

According to William I. Aronwald, Attorney-in-Charge of the Joint Strike Force, the undercover phase of the investigation was terminated in the late Summer of 1974. The Grand Jury investigation which led to the indictments filed on Tuesday was conducted by Michael C. Eberhardt, Assistant Attorney-in-Charge of the Joint Strike Force, and by Strike Force Special Attorney Robert G. DelGrosso.

William I. Aronwald, Attorney-in-Charge of the Joint Strike Force said that the undercover phase of the investigation, which was terminated in the late Summer of 1974, could not have culminated in these indictments without the extraordinarily comprehensive and cooperative efforts of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the New York City Police Department, as well as the outstanding individual jobs done by both the undercover civilian witnesses and the undercover police officers. Mr. Aronwald noted that this investigation has once again demonstrated the crucial need for substantive cooperation between federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies.

Mr. Thornburgh stated that the first indictment charges Frank Wolf, Director of Master Truckmen of America, Inc., (MTA), Leonard "Sonny" Klansky - who until February, 1975 was the Assistant to the Director of MTA, Mathew Ianiello, Lawrence A. Paladino, Julius "Spike" Bernstein - President of Local 121, International Brotherhood of Trade Unions, and George Jackson - a business agent for Local 102, International Ladies Garment Workers Union with having attempted to obstruct, delay and affect commerce and the movement of articles in commerce by extortion, in that the defendants obtained \$5,000 from Gerro Trucking Company, Inc., the undercover business, by the wrongful use of fear of financial and economic injury to the business of Gerro Trucking Company, Inc. The indictment alleges that the defendants threatened, and did arrange for, the imposition of a labor dispute affecting Gerro until Gerro agreed to pay the defendants \$5,000 which represented 10% of the purchase price of Gerro Trucking Company, Inc. Mr. Thornburgh noted that the defendants were also charged in this indictment with conspiracy to violate the Hobbs Act.

According to Mr. Thornburgh the second indictment charges Frank Wolf, Vito "Vic" Orena, and Joseph Beserany with having violated the Hobbs Act. Mr. Thornburgh said that this indictment pertains to acts of the defendants which occurred when the "principals" of Gerro Trucking Company, Inc. sought to sell the business to other persons who were to do business under the name of Sal Dan Trucking, Inc. This indictment charges that the defendants refused to accept Sal Dan Trucking Inc., as a member of Master Truckmen of America, Inc., and ordered Gerro to repurchase its business from Sal Dan and subsequently sell it to J & G Trucking Company. The defendants are also charged with conspiracy to violate the Hobbs Act.

The third indictment announced by Mr. Thornburgh charges Lawrence A. Paladino with bribery of a public official in that the defendant paid an undercover Special Agent of the Internal Revenue Service \$500 to induce the agent to unlawfully terminate an IRS investigation regarding Paladino's attempt to evade and defeat his income taxes.

[ The fourth indictment, which Mr. Thornburgh stated was filed in the Eastern District of New York by Brooklyn Strike Force Special Attorney Stanley Greenwich charges Paladino with having sought to evade and defeat payment of his income taxes for the years 1968 and 1969 totalling approximately \$7,000 and \$4,175. respectively. ]

The defendants indicted today were further identified as follows:

Frank Wolf, born September 19, 1906; resides at 150 West End Avenue, New York, New York; Director of Master Truckmen of America, Inc.; Married, one child.

Leonard Klansky, born October 3, 1933; resides at 211 Harbor View Road, Lawrence, New York; formerly Assistant to Director of Master Truckmen of America, Inc.; Married.

Mathew Ianiello, born June 18, 1920, resides at 10 Treadwell Drive, Old Westbury, New York; Investor at M & M Trading Company, 133 West 50th Street, New York, New York; Married.

Lawrence A. Paladino, born May 6, 1930, resides at 47-31 216th Street, Bayside, Queens; owner of L & P Luncheonette at 2684 Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn, New York; Married.

Julius "Spike" Bernstein, born October 4, 1922, resides at 35-20 Leverick Street, Jackson Heights, Queens; President of Local 121, International Brotherhood of Trade Unions;

George Jackson, born September 30, 1925; resides at 25 West 132 Street, New York, New York; employed as business agent for Local 102, International Ladies Garment Workers Union; Married.

Vito "Vic" Orena, born August 14, 1934, resides at 272 Buckingham, Cedarhurst, Long Island; unemployed; Married.

Joseph Beserany, born January 1, 1918; resides at 491 Durant Avenue, Staten Island, New York; formerly the owner of J & G Trucking Company at 187 Second Avenue, Brooklyn, New York; Married.

According to Mr. DelGrosso the maximum sentences which can be imposed for violation of the Hobbs Act is a 20 year prison term and a fine of \$10,000; for bribery of a public official a prison term of 15 years and a fine of \$20,000; [and for income tax evasion a prison term of five years and a \$10,000 fine.] Mr. DelGrosso further stated that each of the defendants will be arraigned on the Southern District indictments on October 27, 1975 at 10:30 a.m. in Room 501 of the United States Courthouse, Foley Square, New York. [Arraignment on the tax evasion indictment will take place in Brooklyn Federal Court on , 1975 at ]

*Paul J. Curren, U.S.A.  
for the  
S-D-gov.*

Also present at today's press conference were J. Wallace La Prade, Assistant Director in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's New York office, New York City Police Commissioner Michael J. Codd, First Deputy New York City Police Commissioner James Taylor, Thomas J. Emery, Special Agent in Charge, Organized Crime Division, New York office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and William S. Lynch, Chief of the Justice Department's Organized Crime and Racketeering Section.

OPERATION CLEVELAND

NAME OF DEFENDANTS

VIOLATION

CRIME

DISPOSITION

SENTENCE

18 U.S.C. 201(b)

Bribery of IRS Agent

Pending

18 U.S.C. 201(b)

Bribery of IRS Agent

Convicted

1 yr.  
probation

18 U.S.C. 201(b)

Bribery of IRS Agent

Pled Guilty

6 mos.

18 U.S.C. 1510

26 U.S.C. §7201

Bribery of IRS Agent

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<u>NAME OF DEFENDANTS</u>	<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>CRIME</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>	<u>SENTENCE</u>
<div></div>	29 U.S.C. 186(b)(1)	Illegal receipt of money by a union official (\$550).	Pending	
	18 U.S.C. §1623	Perjury before Grand Jury.	Pled Guilty	3 mos. imprisonment 4/23/75
	18 U.S.C. §1954	Illegal payment of \$8000 to union official	Pending	
	18 U.S.C. §§ 892, 893, 894, 1962(c)	Perjury before Grand Jury.	Pending	
	18 U.S.C. 1623	Perjury before Grand Jury.	Pending	
	18 U.S.C. 1623	Perjury before Grand Jury.	Convicted	2 mos. imprisonment
	18 U.S.C. 1954	Illegal payment of \$8000 to union official.	Pending	
	18 U.S.C. §§ 1503 1623, 892, 894 & 1963	Collecting loan-shark debt by means of extortion.	Pled Guilty	Pending

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OPERATION DETROIT

<u>NAME OF DEFENDANTS</u>	<u>VIOLATION</u>	<u>CRIME</u>	<u>DISPOSITION</u>	<u>SENTENCE</u>
	18 U.S.C. 894	Collecting loan-shark debt by means of extortion.	Convicted	Pending
	18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 659, 2315	Transportation and sale of \$150,000 worth of hi-jacked textiles.	Pled Guilty 2/10/75 Pled Guilty Dismissed	6 mos. imprisonment 5 Years
	18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 2113(c)	Possession, sale and conspiracy to sell \$200,000 worth of stolen Florida State bonds, \$2.5 million worth of Treasury Notes and \$12 million worth of Treasury Bills.	Pled Guilty  Pled Guilty	5 Years 4/19/75  3 Years
	18 U.S.C. §§ 371, 659, 2315	Sale of \$100,000 worth of stolen textiles.	Pled Guilty Pled Guilty Trial Pending	5 Years 5 Years
	Tax Evasion, extortion, RICO 26 U.S.C. 7201, 7206, 18 U.S.C. 894, 1963	Income tax evasion and extortion	Pending	

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC (166-

FROM : SUPV. PAUL J. STAPLETON #56

SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN;  
ET AL  
ITAR - EXTORTION;  
HOBBS ACT  
(OO: NEW YORK)

DATE: 10/16/75

ReNYtel to the Bu, 10/15/75, reporting the arrests  
of JOSEPH BESERANY, [REDACTED] GEORGE JACKSON, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] ALFRED PALADINO, and FRANK WOLF.

On the evening of 10/15/75, JULIUS BERNSTEIN telephonically contacted the writer and informed that he understood the FBI had a warrant for his arrest. BERNSTEIN informed that he was securing the services of an attorney, and that he would surrender himself to the NYO on the morning of 10/16/75. He stated that he was separated from his wife and was currently residing with his elderly mother, who had remarried, in the Coney Island Section of Brooklyn. He assured the writer that he would be in touch on the morning of 10/16/75 to facilitate his surrender.

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On the morning of 10/16/75, JULIUS BERNSTEIN telephonically contacted the writer and informed that he was en route to the NYO and would surrender at approximately 9:30 AM.

BERNSTEIN appeared at the NYO and was placed under arrest by SAS [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. He is being arraigned today in the SDNY.

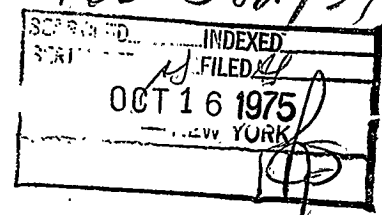
The Bureau will be advised of his apprehension.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI ✓  
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JULIUS BERNSTEIN; ET AL, ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT  
RE NEW YORK TELETYPE, OCT. 15, 1975.

JULIUS BERNSTEIN SURRENDERED TO AGENTS OF THE NYO  
A.M. THIS DATE.

HE APPEARED BEFORE U.S. MAGISTRATE, SDNY, AND WAS  
RELEASED ON \$5,000 SURETY BOND WITH ARRAIGNMENT SCHEDULED  
FOR OCT. 28, 1975.

REPORT FOLLOWS.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NY (NYfile 166-3827 )

DATE: 10/16/75

FROM : SA [REDACTED] #56

SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN aka;  
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ITAR - EXTORTION;  
HOBBS ACT

Assigned SA [REDACTED] Sect. # 56

Names of Subjects - Type and date of process outstanding, i.e., complaint, information, indictment

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JULIUS BERNSTEIN  
FRANK WOLF  
[REDACTED]

LAWRENCE PALADINO  
GEORGE JACKSON  
[REDACTED]

JOSEPH BESERANY  
[REDACTED]

Indictment, 10/14/75

Title 18, Sections 1951 & 1952

AUSA Assigned [REDACTED]

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Status of Prosecution Awaiting prosecution

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (166-3827)  
 JULIUS BERNSTEIN; ET AL, ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT,  
 OO:NEW YORK

RE NEW YORK TELETYPES, OCT. 15 AND 16, 1975, REPORTING  
 THE ARRESTS OF A TOTAL OF EIGHT SUBJECTS IN THIS CASE.

THE NEW YORK POST, CITY EDITION OF OCT. 16, 1975,  
 ANNOUNCING INDICTMENT IN CAPTIONED MATTER, CARRIES ARTICLE  
 CAPTIONED "AN A.M. CHAT WITH THE FBI," WHICH IN BRIEF REFERS  
 TO APPEARANCE OF FBI AGENTS AND CITY DETECTIVE AT RESIDENCE  
 OF ONE JULIUS BERNSTEIN, 102-32 65TH AVE., QUEENS, NEW YORK,  
 OCT. 15, 1975, FOR PURPOSE OF ARREST OF SUBJECT; CAPTIONED  
 MATTER, AND SUBSEQUENT DETERMINATION BY AGENTS THAT  
 INDIVIDUAL AT THAT ADDRESS NOT IDENTICAL WITH BERNSTEIN  
 SOUGHT IN WARRANT. ARTICLE CLAIMS THAT ARRESTING PERSONNEL  
 THREATENED TO BREAK DOOR DOWN AND, AFTER BEING SHOWN INTO  
 RESIDENCE, "GRILLED" WIFE OF OCCUPANT, IDENTIFIED IN ARTICLE  
 AS JULIUS BERNSTEIN AS A DEPUTY ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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ADMINISTRATOR WITH CITY OF NEW YORK, WHILE BERNSTEIN WAS GETTING DRESSED. ARTICLE STATES THAT AFTER DISCUSSION THE "AGENTS AND COPS" SATISFIED THEY HAD WRONG JULIUS BERNSTEIN AND LEFT. ARTICLE ALSO REFERS TO LATER CALL TO BERNSTEIN BY FBI SUPERVISOR PAUL STAPLETON REVIEWING CIRCUMSTANCES OF VISIT WITH BERNSTEIN EARLIER THAT DAY AND ACKNOWLEDGING THAT INDIVIDUAL OF SAME NAME IN WHOM FBI HAD INTEREST RESIDED AT ANOTHER ADDRESS.

INITIAL INQUIRY THIS MATTER HAD DETERMINED FOLLOWING:

ACTING ON INFO APPEARING IN NYO FILES THAT BERNSTEIN WAS RESIDING AT [REDACTED] QUEENS, NEW YORK, BUREAU AGENTS AND NYCPD APPEARED AT THIS RESIDENCE AT APPROXIMATELY 7:00 A.M., OCT. 15, 1975, ANNOUNCED THEIR IDENTITIES, DISPLAYED THEIR CREDENTIALS AND WERE ADMITTED. THEY INFORMED BERNSTEIN RESIDING AT THIS ADDRESS THAT A BENCH WARRANT HAD BEEN ISSUED IN USDC, SDNY, CALLING FOR THE ARREST OF A JULIUS BERNSTEIN, AND HE WAS REQUESTED TO PRODUCE IDENTIFICATION. BERNSTEIN IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK. AFTER THE

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EXCHANGE OF INFO IT WAS APPARENT THAT THIS BERNSTEIN WAS NOT IDENTICAL TO SUBJECT NAMED IN WARRANT, AND NO ARREST EFFECTED. BUREAU AGENTS EXPRESSED REGRETS AND DEPARTED. THE BERNSTEIN NAMED IN BENCH WARRANT SUBSEQUENTLY ARRESTED MORNING OF OCT. 16, 1975, PER REFERENCED NEW YORK TELETYPE THIS DATE.

JULIUS BERNSTEIN OF THE [REDACTED] WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTED BY SUPERVISOR [REDACTED] ON THE AFTERNOON OF OCT. 15, 1975. ENTIRE MATTER WAS REVIEWED WITH HIM, INCLUDING COINCIDENTAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF AGENTS AND NYCPD OFFICER APPEARING AT HIS RESIDENCE. BERNSTEIN EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE CALL AND THE EXPLANATION FURNISHED HIM.

INQUIRY BEING PURSUED TO ACCOUNT FOR ORIGIN OF INFO IN NYO FILES CARRYING WRONG ADDRESS OF SUBJECT BERNSTEIN AND EXPLANATIONS BEING OBTAINED FROM PERSONNEL HANDLING THIS PHASE OF ARREST OPERATION ON OCT. 15, 1975. DETAILS AND APPROPRIATE RECOMMENDATIONS WILL FOLLOW BY AIRTEL.

THE BUREAU SHOULD NOTE THAT WHEN BERNSTEIN SURRENDERED TO FBI THIS DATE, HE CLAIMED TO BE RESIDING WITH HIS MOTHER

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AT 545 NEPTUNE AVE., BKLYN., NEW YORK.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10/17/75

At 9:00 AM on October 16, 1975, JULIUS BERNSTEIN surrendered himself to SA [ ] in the lobby of the FBI office, 201 East 69th Street, New York City. BERNSTEIN was placed under arrest at that time by SA [ ]

BERNSTEIN was at that time orally advised by SA [ ] of his right to remain silent, that he had the right to consult an attorney before being interviewed and that anything he said could be used against him in a court of law. BERNSTEIN was also advised that he was being arrested in connection with an indictment returned by the Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York (SDNY), on October 14, 1975, charging BERNSTEIN with violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Sections 1951 and 1952.

BERNSTEIN was then taken to the Seventh Floor of the FBI office where he was fingerprinted and photographed. At that time BERNSTEIN was also furnished with a Warning and Waiver of Rights form which he read, stated he understood, and stated that he did not wish to make any statement to the arresting Agents without his attorney present.

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While awaiting transportation to the United States Magistrate's office, BERNSTEIN placed a telephone call to his lawyer and to his bail bondsman advising them that he would be arraigned before a United States Magistrate later that morning.

At 10:30 AM, BERNSTEIN was transported to the United States Magistrate's office, Foley Square, New York City, via Bureau automobile.

At 11:40 AM, BERNSTEIN was arraigned before United States Magistrate GERARD GOETTEL, who set bail for BERNSTEIN in the amount of \$5,000 cash or surety.

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by SAS [ ] and KCT:jmj Date dictated 10/16/75

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At 12:00 noon, BERNSTEIN was delivered into the custody of the United States Marshal located on the third floor of the United States Courthouse, Foley Square.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	JULIUS BERNSTEIN
Alias	Spike
Race	Caucasian
Date of Birth	October 4, 1922
Place of Birth	Brooklyn, New York
Height	6'
Weight	190
Hair	Brown (Graying)
Eyes	Blue
Scars/Marks	None
Residence	545 Neptune Avenue Brooklyn, New York (Residence of BERNSTEIN's mother, Mrs. SADIE MILVAK) 246-5582
Telephone	
Wife	[redacted] (currently separated) [redacted] Brooklyn, New York
Employment	Local 1181 Amalgamated Transit Union 101-49 Woodhaven Boulevard Queens, New York (Field Investigator for Welfare Fund Salary \$270 a week plus \$50.00 { expenses) 845-5800
Business Telephone	

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# An A.M. Chat With the FBI

By JAMES NORMAN

Julius Bernstein seems a good enough name. At least it seemed a good enough name to Julius Bernstein, the one who has been living in Forest Hills for 23 years and has worked for the city since 1937.

The problem is, there's another Julius Bernstein in Queens. He lives at 5-20 Leveque St. in Jackson Heights. He does not list himself in the phone book. He calls himself Spike. He is president of Local 121 of the International Brotherhood of Trade Unions.

And, according to an indictment handed up by a federal grand jury yesterday, Spike was one of six men who forced the operators of a garment district trucking firm to cough up \$5000 to avoid labor difficulties.

But the trucking company was a front for undercover police agents, who were looking for just that kind of illegal activity on Seventh Ave. So it looked like deep trouble for Spike.

At 7 a.m. yesterday, two FBI agents and a city police detective showed up at the door of Julius Bernstein, the Forest Hills Julius Bernstein, the one who has worked for the city since 1937, and is now a deputy Environmental Protection Administrator.

"It's 7 a.m. and I have these three boobs at the door telling me they're going to break the door down if I don't open up," said Bernstein, still outraged hours later.

"I was in the bathroom and my wife answered the door. They say 'Open the door or we'll knock it down.' My wife comes to get me says 'There's three guys, something about the FBI, you got to go to the door.'"

Bernstein went. "They wanted me to go with them right then, but I told them I had to finish, so they let me go back and there's this one FBI agent standing here whole time not 12 inches away, telling me to hurry up."

Bernstein said he went into his room to get changed for work. He reached for a drawer. "Don't touch it," an agent commanded him.

"But my underwear's in that drawer," Bernstein replied. "How am I supposed to get dressed?"

While one of the agents got Bernstein his clothes and questioned him, another grilled his wife in another part of the house, he says.

"He told me what rights I'm supposed to have. I asked him, 'What the hell am I supposed to have done?' and he told me it was extortion. I said, 'Who the hell am I supposed to have extorted?'"

"A lot of things went through my mind. They were really nervous, and so was I. They didn't do any physical damage, but all I could think about was all those mistaken identity raids where they ripped the house apart. I didn't know what was going on."

Bernstein said he asked the agents if they were sure they had the right man.

"I told them I had to be at work at 7:30, and one of them said, 'Whatsa matter, you gotta make a delivery?'"

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I told them. Look, I was at Gracie Mansion til 1.30 this morning. Or what was that, a little get together? an agent interrupted, according to Bernstein. After awhile, he said, the agents and the cops began to get the idea that maybe they had the wrong man. So they made a few phone calls and left. FBI supervisor Paul Stapleton called Bernstein after it was all over, according to an FBI spokesman, and apologized for the mistake. He told me it was just a mistaken address, Bernstein said. I told him, That's not simply an address, that scared the hell out of me. I told him, Look mister, if you did that to a person with a heart condition, you would have a dead person on your hands. But he did agree it was a mistake, and he did apologize. Named in the indictment, with Spike Bernstein, were Matthew (Matty the Horse) Ianello and Lawrence Paladino, who have alleged links with the Mafia. George Jackson, an International Ladies Garment Workers Union business agent, Frank Wolf, director of Master Truckmen of America, and Wolf's assistant Leonard (Sonny) Klansky. A second indictment charged Wolf and two associates, Vito (Vic) Orena and Joseph Boscrany with blocking the sale of the undercover trucking firm to one company and forcing its sale to another. All but Bernstein were arrested.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (166-3827) (P) (#56)  
SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN aka;  
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ReNYtel to the Bureau, dated 10/16/75

Enclosed is the newspaper clipping from the "New York Post", dated 10/16/75, previously referred to in reNYtel.

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TITLE OF CASE <b>CHANGED</b> <b>JOSEPH DEMESTRY aka Dolke;</b> <b>JOSEPH DEMESTRY aka Joe Less;</b> <b>Joseph Demerini;</b> <b>GEORGE JACKSON;</b> <b>(TITLE CONT'D COVER PAGE B)</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>	TYPED BY <b>jjj</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE <b>TEAM - EXTORTION; ROBES ACT</b>	

Title marked "Changed" to include subjects' aliases, delete name of [REDACTED] as carried in NYairtel, 10/9/75, and to show SALADINO's and [REDACTED] true names.

REFERENCES:

NYairtel to Director, dated 10/9/75.  
NYtel to Director, dated 10/15/75.  
NYtel to Director, dated 10/16/75.

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As stated in referenced airtel, this phase of the Gorno's Trucking Company, Inc., case (NYfile 92-7485; Bufile 92-14095) is the Master Truckmen of America Association phase.

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LAWRENCE ANTHONY PALADINO aka  
Larry, Big Larry, Larry Boy;  
FRANK WOLF

ADMINISTRATIVE (Continued)

It is expected that other phases of the Gerro case will arise, and separate cases will be opened on each.

A press conference was held on 10/15/75, at the offices of the Strike Force, SDNY, at which time the indictments and arrests were announced. The following were in attendance at the conference: RICHARD L. THORNBURGH, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division; WILLIAM S. LYNCH, Chief of the Justice Department's Organized Crime and Racketeering Section; WILLIAM I. ARONWALD, Attorney in Charge, Joint Strike Force, SDNY; JAMES TAYLOR, First Deputy New York City Police Commissioner; and THOMAS J. EMERY, Special Agent in Charge, Organized Crime Division, NYO, FBI.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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## Copy to:

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## Report of:

## Date:

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## Office:

New York, New York

## Field Office File #:

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JOSEPH PARADISE;  
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## Character:

LAURENCE ANTHONY PARADISE;  
FRANK ROY

## Synopsis:

## Character:

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RAPE/ROBBERY -  
EXTRACTION: BUREAU ACT

## Synopsis:

Indictments filed 10/14/75 in SDNY charging subjects with violation of Title 18, USC, Sections 1521 and 1522. Indictment also indicted in violation of Title 18, USC, Section 601 (b). Bench warrants issued same date, and all subjects except PARADISE arrested 10/15/75. PARADISE surrendered 10/16/75. Subjects appeared before US Magistrate, SDNY, on date of arrest and released on bond.

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## Details:

This investigation is predicated upon information obtained during the course of another FBI investigation which probed the influence of organized crime in the German Center in New York City.

Captioned subjects were named in two separate indictments which were filed in the Southern District of New York (SDNY) on October 14, 1975, charging them with violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Sections 1521 (Hobbs Act) and 1522 (Extortion). PARADISE was named in a third indictment which was filed in the SDNY on October 14, 1975, charging him with violation of Title 18, USC, Section 601 (b) (Battery).

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Bench warrants were issued on October 14, 1975, and all of the subjects, with the exception of BERNSTEIN, were arrested without incident on October 15, 1975. BERNSTEIN surrendered to Agents of the FBI at the New York Office of the FBI on October 16, 1975.

The subjects arrested on October 15, 1975, appeared before United States Magistrate GERARD L. GOETTEL, Southern District of New York, the same day and the following bonds were posted:

JOSEPH BESERANY	\$25,000 Personal Recognizance
[REDACTED]	Bond (PRB)
[REDACTED]	\$25,000 PRB
GEORGE JACKSON	\$25,000 PRB
[REDACTED]	\$25,000 PRB
[REDACTED]	\$25,000 PRB
LAWRENCE ANTHONY	
PALADINO	\$10,000 Surety
FRANK WOLF	\$10,000 PRB

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BERNSTEIN appeared before United States Magistrate GERARD L. GOETTEL, SDNY, on October 16, 1975, and posted \$5,000 surety bond.

All of the subjects will be afforded a hearing on October 28, 1975 in the SDNY at which time they will plead to the charges.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 10/27/75

At 9:00 AM on October 16, 1975, JULIUS BERNSTEIN surrendered himself to SA [redacted] in the lobby of the FBI office, 201 East 60th Street, New York City. BERNSTEIN was placed under arrest at that time by SA [redacted].

BERNSTEIN was at that time orally advised by SA [redacted] of his right to remain silent, that he had the right to consult an attorney before being interviewed and that anything he said could be used against him in a court of law. BERNSTEIN was also advised that he was being arrested in connection with an indictment returned by the Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York (SDNY), on October 14, 1975, charging BERNSTEIN with violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Sections 1551 and 1552.

BERNSTEIN was then taken to the Seventh Floor of the FBI office where he was fingerprinted and photographed. At that time BERNSTEIN was also furnished with a Warning and Waiver of Rights form which he read, stated he understood, and stated that he did not wish to make any statement to the arresting Agents without his attorney present.

While awaiting transportation to the United States Magistrate's office, BERNSTEIN placed a telephone call to his lawyer and to his bail bondsman advising them that he would be arraigned before a United States Magistrate later that morning.

At 10:30 AM, BERNSTEIN was transported to the United States Magistrate's office, Foley Square, New York City, via Bureau automobile.

At 11:40 AM, BERNSTEIN was arraigned before United States Magistrate GERARD GOETTEL, who set bail for BERNSTEIN in the amount of \$5,000 cash or surety.

Interviewed on 10/16/75 at New York, New York File # NY 100-3827  
by SAC [redacted] and KCT:jmf Date dictated 10/16/75

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At 12:00 noon, [REDACTED] was delivered into the custody of the United States Marshal located on the third floor of the United States Courthouse, Foley Square.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Date of Birth  
Place of Birth  
Height  
Weight  
Hair  
Eyes  
Complexion  
Markings

Telephone  
[REDACTED]

Employment

Previous Telephone

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
October 4, 1943  
Brooklyn, New York  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] (Caucasian)  
Blue  
[REDACTED]  
145 Koyama Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York  
(Residence of [REDACTED])  
Mother, Mrs. [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
(currently [REDACTED])  
[REDACTED]

Brooklyn, New York  
Local 1141  
International Transit Union  
101-49 Washington Boulevard  
Brooklyn, New York  
(Field Investigator for National Fund)  
Salary \$270 a week plus \$25.00  
expenses)  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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DIRECTOR, FBI

DEC 1 1975

SAC, NEW YORK (166-3827)

JULIUS BERNSTEIN aka;  
JOSEPH BESERANY aka;  
[redacted] aka;

GEORGE JACKSON;  
[redacted] aka;

LAWRENCE ANTHONY PALADINO aka;  
FRANK WOLF

ReNYrep SA [redacted], 10/21/75.

This is being submitted in lieu of a report.

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During the reporting period 10/16/75 through 12/3/75, during regular contacts with Special Attorney [redacted] SDNY Strike Force, it was determined that there have been no trial dates set concerning the captioned subjects. [redacted] has advised that he is preparing answers to various motions made by the defendant's attorneys and after his response to defense motions he will begin discovery hearings required in each matter.

[redacted] has advised that the discovery hearings should required a pertracted period inasmuch as each attorney will be required to be afforded an opportunity to review tape recorded interceptions of his client.

The NY Division is closely following the prosecution of this matter and will keep the Bureau advised of pertinent developments.

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AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK. Will follow and report prosecution of subject's in this investigation.

- 2 - Bureau  
1 - New York (92-7485)  
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2/26/76

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (92-14685)

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (52-7485)

SUBJECT: CERRO TRUCKING COMPANY, INC.  
ANTI-RACKETEERING

ReNYlet to Bureau, dated 2/25/76, under NYfile 166-3827.

As the Bureau is aware, captioned trucking company was an undercover company set up by the FBI and the NYCPD in an attempt to uncover organized crime controls in the garment center in NYC. [REDACTED]

On 2/26/76, [REDACTED] Assistant Attorney in Charge, SDNY, advised that the Strike Force received a telephone call from the United States Marshal, informing that [REDACTED] will be [REDACTED] during the first week in March. [REDACTED] stated that the [REDACTED] would not provide any [REDACTED] on [REDACTED]

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Special Attorney [REDACTED] SDNY, advised on 2/26/76, that although no trial date had been set for JULIUS BERNSTEIN, ET AL (NYfile 166-3827), this trial will probably not start before the fall of 1976, due to [REDACTED].

4 - Bureau

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*[Handwritten signature]*

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[redacted] said that the possibility exists that [redacted]  
will be deposed when he is [redacted]  
[redacted]

The Bureau should note that [redacted] would be  
the [redacted] in the cases captioned, "JULIUS  
BERNSTEIN, aka; ET" (NYfile 166-3827) and [redacted]  
[redacted] aka; ET AL" (NYfile 156-213).

The New York Office will follow this situation  
closely and advise the Bureau of all pertinent developments.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NY (166-3827)

DATE: 3/23/76

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: MTA (GERRO TRUCKING, INC)

On this date, the writer ~~has~~ <sup>Xeroxed</sup> the following  
FD 302s (NY file 183-61) which will be furnished to  
Special Attorney [REDACTED]

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Date

Person Interviewed

Interviewing Agent

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3/27/72

6/12/72

6/8/72

8/9/72

8/31/72

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10/20/72

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NY (166-NEW)

DATE: 3/24/76

FROM : SA [REDACTED] #53

SUBJECT: JOSEPH BESERANY, aka  
Joe Bess:

[REDACTED] aka

FRANK WOLF

ITAR - EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

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ReNYrep of SA [REDACTED] dated 10/21/75

Referenced report indicates that captioned subjects were indicted on 10/14/75 along with subjects BERNSTEIN, [REDACTED] JACKSON, [REDACTED] and PALADINO on captioned charges. On 10/14/75, two separate indictments were handed up by a Federal Grand Jury. On 3/23/76, Special Attorney [REDACTED] Southern District of New York Strike Force, advised that there will be two separate trials in this matter. It is therefore recommended that a new 166 case be opened on captioned subjects to facilitate administrative handling of this matter.

NYfile 166-3827 should be captioned:

JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka Spike;

[REDACTED];  
GEORGE JACKSON;

[REDACTED];  
LAWRENCE ANTHONY PALADINO, aka Larry,  
Big Larry, Larry Boy;

FRANK WOLF

ITAR - EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
(Attn: FBI Lab, Radio Engineering Section)

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (166-3827)(#53)(P)

SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka;  
Et Al  
ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

ReNYat to Bureau, dated 2/26/76.

14 original tapes are being forwarded under separate cover via registered mail for the FBI Lab.

Referenced NY airtel advised the Bureau that no trial date had been set for captioned case. However, at a pretrial conference on 3/26/76, a tentative trial date of 9/20/76 was set. At this conference, the judge ordered that all tapes bearing on the case be made available to the defense as soon as possible. It is therefore requested of the Lab that the tapes be handled in an expeditious manner.

The tapes consist of the following:

(2) two originals of a meet that took place on 5/3/73 at the offices of Master Truckmen of America (MTA).

(1) one original of a meet that took place on 4/2/73 at H & H Trading Company.

(1) one original of a meet that took place on 5/10/73 at L & P Luncheonette.

4 - Bureau (Encls. 14)  
(1 - Radio Engineering Section)  
(1 - Package Copy)(RM-RRR)  
(3) - New York  
(1 - 92-7485)  
(1 - 166-3961)

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(1) one original tape of a meet that took place on 5/21/73, at the Mayflower Restaurant.

(2) two original tapes of a meet that took place on 5/29/73 at MTA.

(2) two original tapes of the misur at the offices of Gerro Trucking Company on 5/29/73.

(1) one original tape of a meet that took place on 9/21/73 at the offices of Local 1181 in Queens.

(2) two original tapes of a meet that took place on 4/8/74.

(1) one original tape of a meet that took place on 7/10/74 at Cheers Restaurant.

(1) one original tape of a meet that took place on 9/25/74 at MTA.

The major problems encountered on these tapes are static, echoes, low volume on voices, and background noises (music, traffic, etcetera).

REQUEST OF THE FBI LAB

The FBI Lab is requested to obtain as audible a copy of each tape as possible.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/13/76

The following portions of tape recordings were duplicated by [redacted], an employee of Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York, New York, 10016, telephone number MU5-3344, at the offices of the Southern District of New York (SDNY), Strike Force, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York.

Telephone call from [redacted] to [redacted] at Master Truckmen Association (MTA) on January 28, 1974.

Telephone call between SPIKE BERNSTEIN (SB), [redacted] on May 18, 1973.

Telephone call between [redacted] and SB on May 18, 1973.

Telephone call between LARRY PALADINO (LP) and [redacted] on May 18, 1973.

Conversation between LP, SB, [redacted] on April 24, 1973.

Telephone call from [redacted] to FRANK WOLFE (FW) at MTA on May 18, 1973.

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Telephone call [redacted] to FW on June 5, 1973.

Telephone call [redacted] to SB on June 27, 1973.

Conversation between [redacted] on April 2, 1973.

Telephone call from [redacted] to SB on May 5, 1973.

Conversation between [redacted] FW, and JOE BESERANY (JB) on January 2, 1973.

Conversation between [redacted] and JB on January 2, 1973.

Interviewed on 4/8/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-37

by SA [redacted] /acr Date dictated 4/13/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/13/76

The following portions of tape recordings were duplicated by [ ] an employee of Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York, New York, 10016, telephone MU5-3344, at the offices of the Southern District of New York, Strike Force, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York:

Telephone call from [ ] to [ ]  
[ ] on June 24, 1974.

Conversation between [ ] and FRANK WOLFE (FW)  
at Master Truckmen Association (MTA) on September 5, 1973.

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Conversation between [ ] and FRANK  
WOLFE (FW) at MTA on November 1, 1973.

Telephone call from [ ] on January 29, 1974.

Conversation between SPIKE BERNSTEIN and [ ] on  
May 29, 1973.

Interviewed on 4/7/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-28  
by SA [ ] acr Date dictated 4/9/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/16/76

[redacted], Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York City, New York appeared at the offices of the Strike Force, Southern District of New York (SDNY), and was afforded the opportunity to make duplicate recordings of the following taped conversations:

A meeting on May 29, 1973, at Master Truckmen of America (MTA) among SPIKE BERNSTEIN (SB), [redacted] and [redacted];

A meeting on May 29, 1973, at Gerro Trucking Company among [redacted]

A meeting on May 29, 1973, at MTA among SB, FRANK WOLF (FW), [redacted];

A meeting on May 29, 1973, at MTA among SB, [redacted] and [redacted]

A meeting on November 14, 1974, at MTA among [redacted] FW, [redacted].

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Interviewed on 4/13/76 at New York City, New York File # NY 166-3827 - 41  
by SA [redacted] /mfv Date dictated 4/15/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/14/76

The following taped conversations were played for and duplicated by [redacted], Ace Sound Rental Company, 461 Park Avenue South, New York, New York, at the offices of the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Department of Justice, 1 St. Andrews Place, New York, New York:

1. A conversation, June 12, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

2. A conversation, June 11, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

3. Four conversations, June 8, 1974, between LARRY PALADINO and [redacted]

4. A conversation, June 7, 1974, between [redacted]

5. A conversation, June 6, 1974, between JOE BESERANY and [redacted]

6. A conversation, July 2, 1974, between JOE BESERANY, FRANK WOLF and [redacted].

7. A conversation, June 27, 1974, between LARRY PALADINO, SPIKE BERSTEIN and [redacted]

8. A conversation, September 23, 1974, between [redacted], FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

9. A conversation, September 23, 1974, between [redacted], FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

10. A conversation, June 3, 1974, between JOE BESERANY and [redacted]

11. A conversation, June 4, 1974, between [redacted]

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Interviewed on 4/14/76 at New York, New York File # 166-3827-43  
NY 92-7485  
by SA [redacted] /cg Date dictated 4/14/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/19/76

The following taped conversations were played for and duplicated by [redacted] Ace Sound Rental Company, 461 Park Avenue South, New York, New York, at the offices of the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, 1 St. Andrews Place, New York, New York:

1. A conversation, April 15, 1974, between SPIKE BERSTEIN, LARRY PALADINO, [redacted], FRED SAPORITA and [redacted]

2. A conversation, March 5, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

3. A conversation, March 12, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

4. A conversation, April 3, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

5. A conversation, April 4, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

6. A conversation, April 24, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

7. A conversation, March 12, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

8. A conversation, March 13, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

9. A conversation, March 13, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

10. A conversation, March 22, 1974, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

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Interviewed on 4/19/76 at New York, New York File # 166-3827-47  
NY 92-7485  
by SA [redacted] /cg Date dictated 4/19/76



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/23/76

The following portions of tape recordings were duplicated by [ ] an employee of Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York, New York (NY) 10016, telephone number MU5-3344, at the offices of the Southern District of New York (SDNY), Strike Force, at 1 St. Andrews Plaza, NY, NY:

Meeting between [ ] and FRANK WOLFE (FW), on August 8, 1973.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and SPIKE BERNSTIEN (SB), on June 7, 1973.

Meeting between FW and [ ] at MFA on May 3, 1973.

Telephone conversation between LARRY PALADINO (LP) and [ ] on July 13, 1973.

Telephone conversation between LP and [ ] on July 13, 1973.

Telephone conversation between FW and [ ] on July 13, 1973.

Conversation between LP and [ ] at L and P Luncheonette, June 20, 1974. b6  
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Conversation between LP and [ ] on September 31, 1973.

Telephone conversation between SB and [ ] on September 31, 1973.

Telephone conversation between FW and [ ] on August 14, 1974.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and FW, on August 26, 1974.

Telephone conversation between FW and [ ] on September 13, 1974.

Interviewed on 4/23/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-51A

by SA [ ] *dam* Date dictated 4/23/76

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1974. Telephone conversation between [ ] and FW, on September 13,

1974. Telephone conversation between FW and [ ], on September 16,

1974. Telephone conversation between FW and [ ], on September 19,

September 20, 1974. Telephone conversation about FW by [ ] on

1974. Telephone conversation between FW and [ ], on September 2<sup>b6</sup><sub>b7C</sub>  
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1974. Telephone conversation between FW and [ ] on September 24,

1974. Telephone conversation between LP and [ ] on August 8,

1974. Telephone conversation between FW and [ ] on August 21,

1974. Telephone conversation between SB and [ ] on August 21,

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

4/29/76

Date of transcription

The following portions of tape-recordings were duplicated by [ ] an employee of Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York, New York 10016, telephone number MU 5-3344, at the offices of the Southern District of New York Strike Force, 1 St. Andrews Plaza, New York, New York:

Meeting between [ ] and FRANK WOLF (FW), on August 8, 1973.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and SPIKE BERNSTIEN (SB), on June 7, 1973.

Meeting between FW and [ ] at MTA, on May 3, 1973.

Telephone conversation between LARRY PALADINO (LP) and [ ] on July 13, 1973.

Telephone conversation between LP and [ ] on July 13, 1973.

Telephone conversation between FW and [ ] on July 13, 1973.

Conversation between LP and [ ] at L and P Luncheonette, on June 20, 1974.

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Conversation between LP and [ ] on September 31, 1973.

Conversation between SB and [ ] on September 31, 1973.

Telephone conversation between FW and [ ] on August 14, 1974.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and FW, on August 26, 1974.

Telephone conversation between FW and [ ] on September 13, 1974.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and FW, on September 13, 1974.

Interviewed on 4/22/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-52  
by SA [ ] :mej *HP* Date dictated 4/27/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/29/76

The following portions of tape-recordings were duplicated by [redacted], an employee of Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York, New York 10016, telephone number MU 5-3344, at the offices of the Southern District of New York Strike Force, 1 St. Andrews Plaza, New York, New York:

Conversation between JOE BESERANY (JB) and [redacted]  
[redacted], on October 16, 1974.

Meeting between [redacted] FRANK WOLF (FW) and [redacted]  
[redacted], at MTA, on April 24, 1974.

Conversation between [redacted] and FW,  
at MTA, on October 22, 1974.

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Conversation between FW and [redacted] on July 16, 1973.

Conversation between LARRY PALADINO (LP) and [redacted]  
on July 7, 1973.

Telephone conversation between LP and [redacted] on July 7,  
1973.

Telephone conversation between LP and [redacted] on July 7,  
1973.

Meeting between [redacted] and GEORGE JACKSON (GJ), on  
July 2, 1973.

Conversation between SPIKE BERNSTIEN (SB) and [redacted]  
on May 29, 1973.

Interviewed on 4/27/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-53  
by SA [redacted] me:j Date dictated 4/28/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 4/30/76

The following portions of tape recordings were duplicated by [ ] an employee of Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York (NY), NY, 10016, at the Offices of the Southern District of New York (SDNY), Strike Force, 1 St. Andrews Plaza, NY, NY.

Meeting between [ ]  
[ ] and SPIKE BERNSTEIN (SB), on July 27, 1973.

Meeting between [ ]  
on July 24, 1973.

Meeting between [ ] and LARRY PALADINO (LP).

Meeting between [ ] and GEORGE JACKSON (GJ),  
on July 11, 1973.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and LP, on  
July 11, 1973.

Telephone conversations between [ ] and GJ, on  
July 11, 1973.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and LP,  
on July 11, 1973.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and LP, on  
September 25, 1973.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and SB, on  
May 29, 1973.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and LP, on  
May 26, 1973.

Meeting between [ ] on  
July 16, 1973.

Meeting between [ ] and LP, on July 31,  
1973.

Interviewed on 4/28/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-54

by JMD  
SA [ ]

mk

Date dictated 4/28/76

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Meetings between [ ] and SB, on June 8, 1973, June 14, 1973, and June 27, 1973.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and GJ, on 3/22/74.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and LP, on February 6, 1974.

Telephone conversation between [ ] and SB, on February 7, 1974.

Meeting between [ ] and LP, on January 4, 1974.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

TO : SAC [REDACTED]

DATE: 5/5/76

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (#51)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

## Dates of Contact

5/4/76

File #s on which contacted (Use Titles if File #s not available or when CI provides positive information)

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92-2318

166-3827

92-7485

92-3208

## Purpose and results of contact

☐ NEGATIVE☒ POSITIVE☐ STATISTIC

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NY 92-6229

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NY 182-2318

Informant advised that [REDACTED] (ph) is a runner for the [REDACTED] gambling operation, which is currently located at 13th Ave. and 64th St., Brooklyn, NY. [REDACTED] also have a wire room located somewhere on 18th Ave. in Brooklyn.

JULIUS BERNSTEIN;

ET AL

ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

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☐ POSITIVE ASSIGNMENT GIVEN

SINGULAR INFO

Has informant shown any indication of emotional instability, unreliability or furnishing false information?

No

☒ Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact, including information concerning narcotics.

Coverage

## PERSONAL DATA

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NEW YORK

[redacted]  
GERRO TRUCKING COMPANY, INC. ROSARIO NASTASI  
AR  
NY 92-7485 NY 92-3208

Informant advised that [redacted] business [redacted] Brooklyn, NY, who operates an [redacted] in the vicinity of Church and Flatbush Avenues, Brooklyn, has borrowed money from JOSEPH BESERANY and then, loaned that money out himself. Recently [redacted] and was told he would have to wait for the money until one of [redacted] came in. Informant stated that [redacted] has been losing lately in card games, which are played at the Belvedere Social Club on 63rd St. This club is operated by ROSARIO NASTASI.

Informant went on to say that a [redacted] by the name of [redacted] who lives in Brooklyn on [redacted] between 11th and 12th Avenues, carries money to be used for loansharking from [redacted] in New Jersey to JOE BESERANY in Brooklyn. Informant stated that [redacted] is the middleman between [redacted] and BESERANY and has extensive knowledge relative to the movement of this money. Informant advised that when loanshark money is discussed, [redacted]

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 5/7/76

[redacted] Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York, New York (NY), appeared at the offices of the Strike Force, Southern District of New York (SDNY), and duplicated the following taped conversations:

A meeting at Gerro Trucking Company on January 2, 1974, among JOSEPH BESERANY, [redacted], and [redacted];

A portion of a telephone call on August 1, 1973, between [redacted] and LARRY PALADINO (LP);

A telephone call on August 2, 1973, between LP and [redacted]

A portion of a telephone call on August 6, 1973, between LP and [redacted]

A portion of a meeting at the L & P Luncheonette among LP, [redacted]

A telephone call on July 13, 1973, between [redacted] and SPIKE BERNSTEIN;

A telephone call on July 17, 1973, between [redacted] and GEORGE JACKSON;

A telephone call on July 17, 1973, between FRANK WOLF and [redacted]

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Interviewed on 5/3/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-57

by SA [redacted] /ral Date dictated 5/7/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 5/14/76

[redacted] Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York City, New York, appeared at the offices of the Strike Force, Southern District of New York, and made duplicate recordings of the following taped conversations:

a meeting at the L&P Luncheonette on August 3, 1973 among LARRY PALADINO (LP), [redacted]  
[redacted];

a meeting at the L&P Luncheonette on August 23, 1973 among LP, [redacted] and [redacted];

a telephone call on August 7, 1973 between LP and [redacted];

a meeting at Gerro Trucking Company (GTC) on July 24, 1973 among [redacted] and GEORGE JACKSON (GJ);

a telephone call on November 12, 1973 between GJ and [redacted];

a telephone call on March 18, 1974 between [redacted] and FRANK WOLF;

a telephone call on May 25, 1973 between LP and [redacted];

a telephone call on January 28, 1974 among GJ, [redacted] and BOB (last name unknown);

a meeting on June 19, 1973 at the L&P Luncheonette among [redacted] FRED SAPORITA (FS), and SPIKE BERNSTEIN;

a meeting on August 14, 1973 at Local 1181 among FS, [redacted] LP, [redacted];

a meeting at GTC on November 21, 1973 between [redacted] and JOSEPH BESERANY;

a meeting at GTC on September 7, 1973 between LP and [redacted];

Interviewed on 5/10/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-63

by SA [redacted] mc Date dictated 5/13/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 5/14/76

[redacted], Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York City, New York, appeared at the offices of the Strike Force, Southern District of New York, and duplicated the following taped conversations:

a meeting at Master Truckmen of America on November 2, 1973 among [redacted], FRANK WOLF (FW), and JOSEPH BESERANY (JB) followed by a meeting among [redacted] and JB at a restaurant;

a telephone call on September 5, 1973 between [redacted] and LARRY PALADINO (LP);

a telephone call on September 6, 1973 between FW and [redacted]

a telephone call on September 6, 1973 between LP and [redacted]

a telephone call on September 13, 1973 between [redacted] and FW;

a telephone call on September 18, 1973 between FW and [redacted]

a telephone call on September 17, 1973 between LP and [redacted]

a telephone call on September 21, 1973 between SPIKE BERNSTEIN and [redacted]

a telephone call on September 24, 1973 between LP and [redacted]

a meeting on July 17, 1974 at Local 1181 among [redacted] LP, and FRED SAPORITA followed by a conversation between [redacted] and LP in [redacted] car.

Interviewed on 5/11/76 at New York, New York File # NY 166-3827-64

by SA [redacted] mc Date dictated 5/13/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 5/14/76

[redacted], Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York City, New York, appeared at the offices of the Strike Force, Southern District of New York, and duplicated the following taped conversations:

a meeting at the L&P Luncheonette among LARRY PALADINO (LP), [redacted], and

[redacted] on May 10, 1974;

a telephone call on November 12, 1973 between [redacted] and FRANK WOLF (FW);

a telephone call on November 12, 1973 between [redacted] and JOSEPH BESERANY (JB);

a telephone call on November 14, 1973 between [redacted] and FW;

a telephone call on November 15, 1973 among [redacted] LP, and [redacted]

a telephone call on November 19, 1973 between [redacted] and JB;

a meeting at Master Truckmen of America on November 19, 1973 among [redacted] and FW;

a telephone call on November 21, 1973 between [redacted] and FW;

a telephone call on November 27, 1973 between FW and [redacted]

a telephone call on November 29, 1973 between [redacted] and JB;

a meeting at the L&P Luncheonette on July 2, 1974 among LP, [redacted]

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a telephone call on June 19, 1973 between  
[ ] and SPIKE BERNSTEIN;

a telephone call on July 19, 1973 between  
FW and [ ]

a telephone call on October 3, 1973 between  
JB and [ ]

a telephone call on October 3, 1973 between  
FW and [ ]

a meeting on October 5, 1973 among [ ] JB, [ ]  
and [ ] at J&G Trucking;

a telephone call on October 9, 1973 between [ ]  
and FW;

a telephone call on October 9, 1973 between  
LP and [ ]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

DATE: MAY 24, 1976

TO:

Re: JULIUS BERNSTEIN, AKA;  
ET AL;  
ITAR - EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

ADIC NEW YORK

Invoice of Contents

EVIDENCE

16 EACH 5" REEL MAG TAPE  
9 EACH 7" REEL MAG TAPE  
3 EACH NAGRA TAPE  
3 EACH ALPHA TAPE

EVIDENCE

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All items listed above are contained in this package. A detailed description of items will be found in Bureau communication dated

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REPORT  
of theFEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: ADIC, New York (166-3827)

May 26, 1976

FBI FILE NO. 166-6462

LAB. NO. E-3721 PT

Re: JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka;  
Et Al;  
ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

Specimens received

4/5/76

- Q1 5" reel of magnetic tape
- Q2 Alpha I tape cassette
- Q3 Alpha I tape cassette
- Q4 Alpha I tape cassette
- Q5 Nagra SN reel of magnetic tape
- Q6 Nagra SN reel of magnetic tape
- Q7 5" reel of magnetic tape
- Q8 7" reel of magnetic tape
- Q9 7" reel of magnetic tape
- Q10 5" reel of magnetic tape
- Q11 5" reel of magnetic tape
- Q12 5" reel of magnetic tape
- Q13 Nagra SN reel of magnetic tape
- Q14 5" reel of magnetic tape

## Results of examination:

Direct copies were made of Q1 through Q14.

An enhanced copy of Q1 was made on a 7" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of attenuating frequencies above 3150 Hertz and below 315 Hertz and leveling the conversation.

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An enhanced copy was made of Q2 on a 5" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and attenuating frequencies above 3150 Hertz and below 250 Hertz.

An enhanced copy was made of Q3 on a 5" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and attenuating frequencies above 2500 Hertz and below 250 Hertz.

An enhanced copy was made of Q4 on a 5" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and attenuating frequencies above 3150 Hertz and below 200 Hertz.

An enhanced copy was made of Q5 on a 5" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and attenuating frequencies above 3150 Hertz and below 250 Hertz.

An enhanced copy was made of Q6 on a 7" reel of magnetic tape at speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and attenuating frequencies above 3150 Hertz and below 200 Hertz.

An enhanced copy was made of Q7 on a 5" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and attenuating frequencies above 3150 Hertz and below 250 Hertz.

An enhanced copy of Q8 was made on two each 7" reels and one 5" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and attenuating frequencies above 3150 Hertz and below 200 Hertz. Discrete frequencies of 290 Hertz and 174 Hertz were also removed.



An enhanced copy of Q9 was made on a 7" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversations, removing discrete frequencies at 294 Hertz and 176 Hertz and attenuating frequencies above 3150 Hertz and below 200 Hertz.

An enhanced copy of Q10 was made on a 7" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and attenuating frequencies above 2500 Hertz and below 125 Hertz.

An enhanced copy of Q11 was made on two each 7" reels of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and removing frequencies above 2500 Hertz and below 200 Hertz.

An enhanced copy of Q12 was made on a 5" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation and removing frequencies above 2500 Hertz and below 200 Hertz.

An enhanced copy of Q13 was made on a 7" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversations, removing a discrete frequency at 2030 Hertz and attenuating frequencies above 2500 Hertz and below 200 Hertz.

An enhanced copy of Q14 was made on a 5" reel of magnetic tape at a speed of 3 3/4 inches per second in a 1/2 track monaural configuration. Enhancement consisted of leveling the conversation, removing a discrete frequency at 224 Hertz and attenuating frequencies above 2500 Hertz and below 200 Hertz.

Q1 through Q14 and the enhanced copies are being forwarded to the New York Office under separate cover via registered mail.



**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: ADIC, New York (166-3827)

May 26, 1976

✓ From: Director, FBI

FBI FILE NO. 166-6462

LAB. NO. E-3721 PT

Re: JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka;  
Et Al;  
ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

Examination requested by: ADIC, New York

Reference: Airtel 4/1/76

Examination requested: Engineering

Remarks:

A review of the recording dates of Q1 through Q14 indicate they were recorded over a two year period, April, 1973 to September, 1974. In the future tape recordings should be reviewed immediately after they are made and if it is determined they require enhancement they should be forwarded to the Laboratory at that time.

Enclosures (2) (2 Laboratory reports)

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5/27/76

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (166-3827) (#53)

SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN aka;  
ET AL  
ITAR - EXTORTION;  
HOBBS ACT

ReNYairtel to the Bureau, dated 4/1/76.

This airtel is being submitted in lieu of a report.

Referenced NY airtel advised that a trial date of 9/20/76, has tentatively been set in this matter. As of this date, the trial date has not been changed.

The NYO has been assisting the Strike Force, SDNY, with discovery motions since 4/6/76, and is still working on the discovery phase of the case.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will follow and report prosecution of subjects.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 5/25/76

[redacted], Ace Sound Rental, 461 Park Avenue South, New York City, New York, appeared at the Offices of the Strike Force, Southern District of New York, and duplicated the following taped conversations:

A meeting on October 5, 1973, among JOSEPH BESERANY,

[redacted]

A meeting on April 30, 1973, among [redacted] and SPIKE BERNSTEIN.

After duplicating of the tapes, [redacted] was told that Special Agent [redacted] would contact Ace Sound Rental when the remainder of the tapes to be dubbed have been located, marked and brought down to the Strike Force.

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JOSEPH BESERANY, aka,  
ET AL

ITAR-EXTORTION & HOBBS ACT

JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka,  
ET AL

ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

Information had been received in March, 1973, that [redacted] the owner of Evelyn Pearson Mfg. Co, had had problems with his trucker and was unable to change truckers. The same source advised that Joe Beserany shook down the Charles Facas Company, 361 83 St, Brooklyn. Beserany collected money before this company could obtain good trucking service. b6 b7C

On July 2, [redacted] Westbury, NY, telephone [redacted] who is employed at the Kenwil Company, 295 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, NYC, advised that he was the shipping manager of Evelyn Pearson and that he had no problem changing truckers.

A check of the Brooklyn, Queens, and Manhattan telephone directories showed no listing for a Charles Facas Company. A physical check of 83 Street in Brooklyn on July 2 showed that the 300 blocks is a residential area.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (166-3827) (P) (#53)

SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN aka;  
ET AL  
ITAR-EXTORTION;  
HOBBS ACT

ReNYairtel to Bureau, dated 5/27/76.

This airtel is being submitted in lieu of a report.

Referenced New York airtel advised that the trial date of 9/20/76 had not been changed. As of this date, the trial is still scheduled for 9/20/76.

LEAD

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will follow and report prosecution of subjects.

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C L E A R

JULIUS BERNSTEIN AKA; ET AL; ITAR - EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

REFERENCED AIRTEL ADVISED TRIAL SET FOR SEPTEMBER 20,  
1976. ON AUGUST 24, 1976, SPECIAL ATTORNEY [REDACTED]  
ADVISED THAT SA [REDACTED] NEEDED IN NEW YORK FOR TRIAL,  
PREPARATION BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 13, 1976. UACB SA [REDACTED] SHOULD  
REPORT TO STRIKE FORCE, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK,  
AT 10:00 AM, SEPTEMBER 13, 1976.

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[redacted] aka (156-213)

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JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka (166-3827)

ET AL

ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

Rememo dated 6/10/76, NY file 156-213

Referenced memo advised that a trial date of 9/14/76 had been set for the matter entitled [redacted] [redacted] aka; ETAL-ERISA." On this date, Special Attorney [redacted] advised that trial has been postponed until 11/30/76. However, the case entitled "JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka; ETAL-ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT" is scheduled for trial on 9/20/76. It is expected that all tapes introduced at this trial will be reel to reel, and it is requested that the necessary equipment be provided to play the tapes in court.

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ATTENTION ORGANIZED CRIME SUPERVISOR

JULIUS BERNSTEIN AKA; ET AL; ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT;

TRIAL FOR INSTANT CASE TO BEGIN SEPTEMBER 20, 1976.

IN PREPARATION FOR TRIAL, SPECIAL ATTORNEY [REDACTED]

WILL ARRIVE SAN DIEGO ON THE EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 6, 1976,

TO PREPARE GOVERNMENT WITNESS [REDACTED] PART OF

PREPARATION WILL INCLUDE PLAYING TAPES AT [REDACTED] HOME.

SAN DIEGO IS TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO [REDACTED] A REEL-TO-REEL  
TAPE RECORDER, THREE (3) HEAD SETS, AND NECESSARY EQUIPMENT  
TO ALLOW FOR THREE PEOPLE TO LISTEN TO TAPE SIMULTANEOUSLY.

EQUIPMENT WILL BE PICKED UP MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 7,  
1976, BY SPECIAL ATTORNEY [REDACTED]

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TO: ADIC, NEW YORK (166-3827)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (166-1527) (C)

JULIUS BERNSTEIN,  
aka;  
ET AL  
ITAR - EXTORTION  
HOBBS ACT

Re New York airtel to Miami, 8/30/76.

Enclosed for New York is the original of a subpoena  
for [ ] a copy of which was presented to [ ] on  
9/2/76 by SA ROBERT F. FRITZ, JR.

[ ] seemed anxious to cooperate in this matter  
and had been attempting to contact Governmental Attorneys con-  
cerning his testimony. He indicated that he would try to call  
Special Attorney [ ] concerning trial preparation  
which [ ] had wanted to schedule for 9/13/76. He was more  
in favor of traveling to New York a day or so prior to the sub-  
poena date of 9/20/76, eliminating the need for two separate  
trips. He did indicate that he would work the matter out with  
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Date: 9/7/76

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TO DIRECTOR (166-6462) IMMEDIATE  
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C L E A R

JULIUS BERNSTEIN AKA; ET AL, ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT  
RE NEW YORK TELETYPE, AUGUST 25, 1976, AND NEW YORK  
TELCALL TO BUREAU, INSTANT.

RE TELETYPE ADVISED THAT SA [ ] NEEDED IN  
NEW YORK BEGINNING SEPT. 13, 1976. RE TELCALL ADVISED SA [ ]  
NEEDED IN NEW YORK FOR TRIAL PREPARATION BEGINNING SEPT. 7,  
1976.

UACB SA [ ] SHOULD REPORT TO STRIKE FORCE, SDNY, ON  
SEPT. 7, 1976.

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ATTENTION ORGANIZED CRIME SUPERVISOR

JULIUS BERNSTEIN AKA; ET AL, ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO SAN DIEGO, SEPT. 2, 1976.

RE TELETYPE ADVISED SPECIAL ATTORNEY [REDACTED]

WOULD ARRIVE SAN DIEGO TO PREPARE GOVERNMENT WITNESS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] FOR TRIAL. THIS DATE, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]

WILL NOT COOPERATE. SAN DIEGO CAN DISREGARD REQUEST MADE IN  
REFERENCED TELETYPE.

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Special Agent in Charge

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/9/76

The following taped conversations were dubbed onto a 7 inch reel tape by Special Agent [REDACTED]

an Alpha recording of a meeting that took place on April 2, 1973, among [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LARRY PALADINO, SPIKE BERNSTEIN, and others;

a cassette recording of a meeting that took place on April 24, 1973, among [REDACTED]  
LARRY PALADINO, SPIKE BERNSTEIN, and others;

a cassette recording of a meeting that took place on April 30, 1973, among [REDACTED]  
SPIKE BERNSTEIN, and FRED SAVORITA;

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and a cassette recording of a telephone call from [REDACTED] to LARRY PALADINO on May 1, 1973.

Interviewed on 9/9/76 at New York, New York File # 166-3827-89

by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 9/9/76

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/10/76

The following taped conversations were dubbed onto a seven inch reel tape:

an Alpha recording of a meeting among [redacted]  
[redacted] FRANK WOLF, and [redacted] that took place  
on May 3, 1973;

an Alpha recording of a meeting among [redacted]  
[redacted] LARRY PALADINO, [redacted] and  
others that took place on May 7, 1973;

An Alpha recording of a meeting that took place on  
May 10, 1973 among [redacted] and LARRY  
PALADINO;

a seven inch reel recording of a telephone conversation  
among [redacted], SPIKE BERNSTEIN, and [redacted] that  
took place on May 18, 1973;

a seven inch reel recording of a telephone conversation  
between [redacted] and FRANK WOLF that took place on May 18,  
1973;

a Nagra recording of a meeting among [redacted]  
[redacted] and LARRY PALADINO that took place on May 21,  
1973;

a seven inch reel recording of a telephone conversation  
that took place on May 25, 1973 between [redacted] and  
LARRY PALADINO;

a Nagra recording of a meeting that took place on May  
25, 1973 among [redacted] LARRY PALADINO, and [redacted]  
[redacted];

a cassette recording of a telephone call between LARRY  
PALADINO and [redacted] that took place on May 26, 1973;

a five inch reel recording of meetings on May 29,  
1973 among (1) [redacted] SPIKE BERNSTEIN, and [redacted];  
(2) [redacted]; and (3)  
FRANK WOLF, SPIKE BERNSTEIN, [redacted];

a seven inch reel recording of a telephone conversation  
between [redacted] and SPIKE BERNSTEIN that took place on  
May 29, 1973;

two seven inch reel recordings of meetings that took  
place on May 29, 1973 at Gerro Trucking Company among [redacted]  
[redacted] and SPIKE BERNSTEIN;

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by SA [redacted] Date dictated 9/10/76

[redacted] a cassette recording of a telephone call from [redacted]  
[redacted] to SPIKE BERNSTEIN on June 5, 1973;

a Nagra recording of a meeting that took place on  
June 5, 1973, among [redacted]  
[redacted];

a seven inch reel recording of a meeting on June  
8, 1973 between [redacted] and SPIKE BERNSTEIN at Gerro  
Trucking Company.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/13/76

The following taped conversations were dubbed onto a seven inch reel of tape:

a meeting on June 14, 1973 at Gerro Trucking Company between SPIKE BERNSTEIN and [REDACTED]

a Nagra recording of a meeting on June 19, 1973, among [REDACTED], LARRY PALADINO, SPIKE BERNSTEIN, and others;

a telephone call recorded on a seven inch reel between SPIKE BERNSTEIN and [REDACTED] on June 27, 1973;

a meeting on June 27, 1973 at Gerro Trucking Company between [REDACTED] and SPIKE BERNSTEIN;

a meeting on July 2, 1973 at GERRO among [REDACTED] and GEORGE JACKSON;

a Nagra recording of a meeting on July 3, 1973 among [REDACTED] and FRANK WOLF;

a telephone call on July 5, 1973 between [REDACTED] and LARRY PALADINO recorded on a seven inch reel;

a telephone call on July 6, 1973 between [REDACTED] and LARRY PALADINO recorded on a seven inch reel.

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Interviewed on 9/13/76 at New York, New York File # 166-3827-91

by SA [REDACTED] Date dictated 9/13/76



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/15/76

The following taped conversations were dubbed onto a 7" reel:

A Nagra tape of a meeting that took place on July 6, 1973, among [redacted] and FRANK WOLF;

A cassette tape of a telephone conversation on July 7, 1973, between LARRY PALADINO and [redacted]

A meeting on July 9, 1973 at Gerro Trucking Company among [redacted] and LARRY PALADINO, that was recorded on a 7" reel;

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A telephone call on July 11, 1973, among [redacted] LARRY PALADINO, and [redacted] that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A meeting at Gerro Trucking Company on July 11, 1973, among [redacted] and GEORGE JACKSON, that was recorded on a 7" reel;

Two (2) telephone calls on July 13, 1973, between [redacted] and LARRY PALADINO, that were recorded on a 7" reel;

A Nagra tape of a meeting that took place on July 16, 1973, among [redacted] and FRANK WOLF;

A telephone call on July 17, 1973, between [redacted] and FRANK WOLF, that was recorded on a 7" reel;

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by SA [redacted] drl Date dictated 9/15/76

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A meeting at Gerro Trucking Company on July 24, 1973, among [REDACTED] and GEORGE JACKSON, that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A Nagra tape of a meeting that took place on July 24, 1973, among [REDACTED], and FRANK WOLF;

A cassette recording of a meeting that took place on July 24, 1973, among [REDACTED] and others;

A meeting that took place at Gerro Trucking Company on July 27, 1973, among [REDACTED] SPIKE BERNSTEIN, and [REDACTED] recorded on a 7" reel;

A Nagra tape of a meeting that took place on July 31, 1973, among [REDACTED] and LARRY PALADINO;

A Nagra tape of a meeting that took place on July 31, 1973, among [REDACTED] FRANK WOLF, and [REDACTED]

A Nagra tape of a meeting that took place on August 1, 1973, among [REDACTED] and FRANK WOLF;

A Nagra tape of a meeting that took place on August 3, 1973, among [REDACTED] and LARRY PALADINO.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 9/20/76

The following taped conversations were dubbed onto a 7" reel:

A telephone conversation between [ ] and LARRY PALADINO (LP) on August 6, 1973, that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A meeting at Gerro Trucking Company (GTC) among [ ] and FRANK WOLF (FW) on August 8, 1973, that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A meeting at GTC among [ ] LP, and [ ] on August 10, 1973, that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A Nagra recording of a meeting on August 23, 1973, among [ ] and LP;

A Nagra recording of a meeting on September 5, 1973, among [ ] FW, and [ ];

A meeting at GTC on September 7, 1973, between [ ] and LP that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A meeting on September 21, 1973, among [ ] LP, and SPIKE BERNSTEIN (SB) that was recorded on a 5" reel;

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A telephone call on September 21, 1973, between [ ] and SB that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A telephone call on September 24, 1973, between [ ] and FW that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A Nagra recording of a meeting on September 25, 1973, among [ ] FW, and [ ]

A telephone call on October 3, 1973, between [ ] and FW that was recorded on a 7" reel;

A telephone call on October 9, 1973, between [ ]

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by SA [ ] :drl Date dictated 9/17/76



POLICE DEPARTMENT  
NEW YORK, N. Y. 10013

U. F. 49-A  
P.D. 158-152

September 21, 1976

From: C.O. First Deputy Commissioner's Special Force  
To: G.O. Property Clerk  
Subject: REMOVAL OF PROPERTY BY NON-VOUCHERING OFFICER TO BE  
IMMEDIATELY TURNED OVER TO THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF  
INVESTIGATION.

1. I hereby authorize Det. [REDACTED], Sh.# [REDACTED]  
presently assigned to the Manhattan Sex Crimes Unit, and formerly  
assigned to this command, to remove the following property:

Voucher #73M33442  
Voucher #74M23275

The aforementioned vouchers and property stated thereon  
will be immediately turned over to an agent of the F.B.I., from  
whom a receipt will be obtained.

I, [REDACTED] <sup>SA REI</sup> acknowledge receipt from Det. [REDACTED] of  
the above voucher numbers.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC (166-3827) (P)

DATE: SEP 22 1976

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (#53)

SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN aka;  
ET AL;  
ITAR-EXTORTION  
HOBBS ACT

Attached is a receipt obtained from the NYCPD for negatives which are to be used at the trial of subject case.

These negatives are now located at the Strike Force Office and are in the care of SA [REDACTED]

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (166-6462)

FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (166-3827)

SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN aka;  
ET AL;  
ITAR-EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT

ReNYairtels to Bu, dated 9/20/76.

Jury selection for captioned case completed on 9/22/76.  
The jury will be sequestered beginning the morning of 9/28/76,  
and trial will begin the afternoon of the same date.

[REDACTED] government witness in this case,  
suffered a slight heart attack during the weekend of 9/25-26;  
however, as of this date, he is being prepared for trial and will  
testify.

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The above is for the information of the Bureau.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (92-7485)

FROM : SA [REDACTED], #53

SUBJECT: GERRO TRUCKING CO, INC  
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DATE: 10/18/76

On this date, SA [REDACTED] hand carried the following items to SDNY and turned them over to Special Attorney [REDACTED] for use as evidence at trial:

- one roll of film marked NY92-7485 - Sub E - 1B1(5); b6 b7C
- one original misur log dated [REDACTED] written by SA [REDACTED];
- one original airtel from the Bureau dated 10/5/73, marked 92-7485 - Sub E - 10;
- one airtel to the Bureau dated 9/12/73, marked 92-7485 - Sub E - 8;
- one handwritten memo dated 9/12/73, marked 92-7485 - 145;
- one roll of film marked NY92-7485 - Sub E - 1B1(2);
- one letter from the Bureau dated July 11, 1973, marked 92-7485 - Sub E - 2;
- one airtel to the Bureau dated 7/2/73, marked 92-7485 - Sub A - 16;
- one handwritten memo dated 7/31/73, marked 92-7485 - Sub A - 21.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (92-7485)

FROM : SA [REDACTED] #53

SUBJECT: GERRO DRUCKING CO, INC  
AR

DATE: 10/19/76

The following original tapes were hand carried to SDNY and turned over to Special Attorney [REDACTED] for use at trial in the case captioned "JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka; ET AL; ITAR - EXTORTION; HOBBS ACT":

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1B1(8)	1B3(15)	1B8(17)
1B1(9)	1B3(18)	1B9(16)
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1B1(15)	1B3(35)	1B10(8)
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1B1(24)	1B3(37)	
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1B1(36)	1B4(14)	
1B1(38)	1B4(21)	
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1B2(1)	1B5(39)	
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1B2(6)	1B5(45)	
1B2(7)	1B5(47)	
1B2(9)	1B6(6)	
1B2(10)	1B6(20)	
1B2(12)	1B6(32)	
1B3(2)	1B6(50)	
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (92-7485)

FROM : SA [REDACTED], #53

SUBJECT: GERRO TRUCKING, CO, INC  
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DATE: 10/21/76

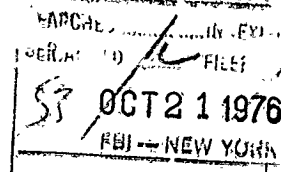
On this date, the writer handed over original tape number 1B4(15) to SA [REDACTED] to be hand carried to SDNY and turned over to Special Attorney [REDACTED] [REDACTED] for use at trial.

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (166-6462)  
FROM: ADIC, NEW YORK (166-3827) (#53) (P)  
SUBJECT: JULIUS BERNSTEIN, aka  
Spike;

[REDACTED]  
GEORGE JACKSON;  
[REDACTED]

LAWRENCE ANTHONY PALADINO, aka  
Larry, Big Larry, Larry Boy;  
FRANK WOLF  
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ReNYairtels to the Bureau, dated 9/20/76, and 9/27/76.

Referenced airtel, dated 9/20/76, advised that subjects PALADINO and JACKSON pled guilty to one count of T18, USC, Section 1951 and one count of T29, USC, Section 186 (b) (1) respectively. Referenced airtel, dated 9/27/76, advised that jury selection was completed and trial for remaining defendants would commence on 9/28/76.

On 11/10/76, [REDACTED] was acquitted on both charges. On 11/15/76, WOLF was acquitted on T18, USC, Sec. 1951. On 11/16/76, [REDACTED] was acquitted on both charges. On 11/17/76, BERNSTEIN was acquitted on both charges and the jury advised they could not reach a decision on WOLF on T18, USC, Sec. 1952.

On 11/18/76, Special Attorney [REDACTED] advised that he intends to dismiss the extortion charge against WOLF in this case.

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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will report on sentencing of  
defendants JACKSON and PALADINO.